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For: ROTARY-CUTTING DISK FOR A CENTRIFUGE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Patent Application  
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Sir:

Please amend the subject application as shown in the attachments hereto.

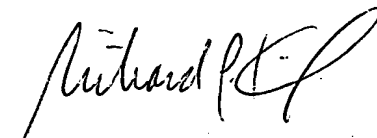
**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment amends the Specification, Claims and Drawings, replaces the Abstract and brings the Application into U.S. format.

The Application is now in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees, be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 02-1010 (677/41957).

Respectfully submitted,  
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